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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: February 10, 2015

DATE: January 13, 2015
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Ken Retterath, Division Director, Department of Social Services
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THROUGH: Kevin Schiller, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Approve an increase in the Adult Group Care (AGC) rate from \$1,112 to \$1,124 per month, which maintains consistency with State of Nevada rates, retroactive to January 1, 2015.
(All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The Department of Social Services is requesting the Board approve a rate increase for Adult Group Care \$1,112 to \$1,124 per month.

Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure, and Healthy Communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

On January 28, 2014, the Board approved an increase in the AGC rate from \$1,028 to \$1,112 per month.

In January, 2008, the Board approved an increase from \$994 to \$1,028.

In February, 2006, the Board approved an increase from \$929 to \$994. Prior to this approval, the rate had been increased annually for seven years with the exception of FY 02/03.

BACKGROUND

The County currently pays up to \$1,112 per month for AGC clients.

The AGC program ensures indigent residents can be cared for in the lowest level of care possible and keeps clients from being unnecessarily institutionalized with a higher level of care. Clients are required to pay toward their cost of care if they have the means to do so.

In Nevada in 2012, the cost for assisted living averaged over \$2,800 per month and nursing home costs ranged from \$6,700 to \$7,400.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board approved this rate change, the Department's FY15 adopted budget includes funding to support the projected increase this fiscal year of \$2,500 in cost center 179300 – Indigent Assistance.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve an increase in the Adult Group Care (AGC) rate from \$1,112 to \$1,124 per month, which maintains consistency with State of Nevada rates, retroactive to January 1, 2015.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be "move to approve an increase in the Adult Group Care (AGC) rate from \$1,112 to \$1,124 per month, which maintains consistency with State of Nevada rates, retroactive to January 1, 2015".